

MARKETS AND FINANCE

Saturday, Feb. 13.—Despite the cloudy aspect of the sky and the disagreeable condition under foot, the central market was larger this morning than it has been in the last few weeks.

The deliveries of oats have been almost nil and as a consequence the price is up to 45 cents, or an advance of 3 cents.

The general tone of the market was steady to-day, and with the exception of the above changes, prices were steady. Standard prices at 8 a. m. were:

Table with columns for Dairy Produce, Poultry, and Fruits, listing various items and their prices.

Table with columns for Vegetables, Etc., listing items like Carrots, Beans, and Peas with their respective prices.

Table with columns for Smoked Meats, listing items like Bacon, Ham, and Corned Beef.

Table with columns for Meats, listing items like Beef, Pork, and Mutton.

Table with columns for Fish, listing items like Salmon, Trout, and Haddock.

Table with columns for The Hide Market, listing items like Sheepskins and Hides.

Table with columns for Grain Market, listing items like Wheat, Oats, and Corn.

Table with columns for Hay and Wood, listing items like Hay, Straw, and Wood.

TORONTO MARKETS

Receipts of grain on the street market were fair. Wheat is a cent higher, with sales of 200 bushels of fall at \$1.02 to \$1.03.

Hay in liberal supply, with prices unchanged; 40 loads sold at \$12 to \$13.50 a ton for No. 1, and at \$8 to \$10 for mixed.

Straw unchanged, two loads selling at \$12 to \$13.50 a ton for No. 1, and at \$8 to \$10 for mixed.

Dressed hogs are easier at \$9 to \$9.25 for heavy, and at \$8.50 for light.

Wheat, fall, bushel... \$1.02 to \$1.03. Oats, bushel... 0.95 to 0.96. Corn, bushel... 0.90 to 0.91.

Hay, per ton... 12.00 to 13.50. Straw, per ton... 7.00 to 8.00. Wood, per cord... 12.00 to 14.00.

Butter, dairy... 0.23 to 0.24. Eggs, new laid... 0.30 to 0.33. Chickens, dressed, lb... 0.14 to 0.17.

Beef, hindquarters... 8.50 to 10.00. Pork, choice... 8.00 to 8.50. Mutton, per cwt... 8.00 to 10.00.

Lamb, per cwt... 11.50 to 13.00. Union Horse Market: Trade at the Union Horse Exchange, Toronto, was the best this week, that has been this year.

A. E. CARPENTER & CO. Stocks and Bonds. Toronto Saturday Night: The speculative wave has drifted of late from Wall Street towards our own securities.

Table of Toronto Cobalt stocks, listing various companies like City of Cobalt, Chambers Ferland, and Cobalt Central with their stock prices.

Industrial conditions improve slowly and retail trade, which is usually quiet at this season, is much restricted.

COBALT MINING STOCKS

The Toronto mining market was dull yesterday, but prices held up remarkably in the absence of any great rush of buying orders.

TORONTO EXCHANGE

Friday Morning Sales: Oats—100 at 54, 2,000 at 53 1/2, 500 at 53 1/2, 200 at 53 3/4, 2,000 at 54, 300 at 54, 500 at 54, 1,000 at 54, 1,000 at 54.

STANDARD EXCHANGE

Friday Morning Sales: Beaver Consolidated—300 at 28 3/4, 500 at 28 1/2, 200 at 28 1/2.

FAILURES LAST WEEK

Feb. 13.—Commercial failures in the United States, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co., are 222 against 312 last week.

BRADSTREET'S TRADE REVIEW

Montreal—But little change has taken place in trade conditions here during the past week.

THE COWBOY SERENADER

There ain't no cooners when I sing. And there ain't no ladies fair; There ain't no light guitar to ring.

A KANSAS BLIZZARD

A favorite story in western Kansas years ago related how steadily the wind blew; a farmer said that the wind blew a sheet of oats against his barn door and kept it there three days.

SUN FIRE. The oldest Insurance Office in the world. FOUNDED A.D. 1710. HOME OFFICE: LONDON, ENGLAND.

Good Short Stories

Mrs. Belle De Rivera, whose special knowledge of New York public school life has made her famous, narrated at a recent dinner a number of public school episodes.

"Excuse me, sir," he said, "but are you going out to-day?" "No," he replied, "I am not."

"I reckon you have to watch your pocketbook, an' overcoat, an' watch, an' so on pretty close, don't you?"

"What are you watching so closely?" "What are you watching so closely?" "The New Yorker laughed.

"Oh, the coat's all right. I'm not worrying about mine, you see, and they are hanging together."

"In one of the large music publishers' establishments on Broadway there is a man whose employment it is to become acquainted with all the music of the day, both classic and 'popular.'"

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Department of Railways and Canals, Canada. WELLDAN CANAL. NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Re-estimating Foundation Lock No. 2," will be received at this office until 10 o'clock on Tuesday, the 16th February, 1909.

Plans specifications and the form of the contract to be entered into can be seen on and after the 1st February, 1909, at the office of the Superintendent Engineer, Welland Canal, St. Catharines, Ont., at which place forms of tender may be obtained.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered, unless made strictly accordance with the printed forms, and in the case of firms, unless there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation, and the place of residence of each member of the firm.

An accepted bank cheque for the sum of \$1,000.00 must accompany each tender, which sum will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work, or if the rates stated in the offer submitted. The cheque thus sent will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Order, L. K. JONES, Secretary, Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 2nd February, 1909.

100 LBS. of "Gold Medal" Flour FREE. To the person guessing the nearest weight of the big loaf of bread at the Stanley Mills Co. Exhibition.

WOOD MILLING CO. Phone 118. Synopsis of Canadian Northwest Land Regulations.

ANY person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, who has homesteaded a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta.

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